

**BOARD OF LICENSED SOCIAL  
WORKERS MEETING MINUTES  
November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**The Board of Licensed Social Workers met on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, 101 N.E. 51<sup>st</sup> St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The meeting was held in accordance with the Open Meeting Act of Oklahoma.**

**Members Present:**

Sharolyn Wallace, Ph.D., LCSW, Vice-Chair  
Angela Dickson, LCSW, Secretary  
Clark Grothe, LCSW  
Joel Harder, Ph.D., LMSW

**Members Absent:**

Beverly Coon, LMSW, LCSW – Board Chair  
Stacey Blaylock, LCSW  
Megan Doke, B.S. – Public Member

**Also Present:**

Karl Kramer, Assistant Attorney General  
James Marks, Executive Director  
Jinna Dreessen, Administrative Assistant

**Agenda Item 1. Roll Call:**

Meeting called to order at 10:03am. A quorum was met with four board members being present to facilitate and conduct the business of the agency.

**Agenda Item 2. Review and Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Grothe made the motion to approve the minutes for the meeting held September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. Seconded by Dr. Harder. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 3. Personal Appearance by Sierra McClendon requesting approval of her application for Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW-P), Provisional Status.**

After discussion among board members and with Ms. McClendon, Mr. Grothe made the motion to approve Ms. McClendon's application for Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Provisional Status (LCSW-P). Seconded by Dr. Harder. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 4. Personal Appearance by Sharon Link requesting approval of her application for Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW).**

After discussion among board members and with Mr. Link, Dr. Harder made the motion to approve Ms. Link's application for the Licensed Clinical Social Worker. Seconded by Mr. Grothe. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 5. Personal Appearance by Cherelle Berry requesting approval of her application for Licensed Master's Social Worker (LMSW) – Provisional Status.**

After discussion among board members and with Ms. Berry, Dr. Harder made the motion to approve

Ms. Berry for the LMSW Provisional License. Seconded by Ms. Dickson. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 6. Personal Appearance by Keith Carpenter requesting approval of his application for Licensed Master’s Social Worker (LMSW) – Provisional Status.**

After discussion among board members and with Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Grothe made the motion to approve Mr. Carpenter for the LMSW Provisional License. Seconded by Dr. Harder. The vote was as follows:

- Grothe – Yes
- Harder – Yes
- Wallace – Yes
- Dickson – No

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 7. Personal Appearance by Emily Edmondson requesting approval of her application for Licensed Master’s Social Worker (LMSW) – Provisional Status.**

After discussion among board members and with Ms. Edmondson, Mr. Grothe made the motion to approve Ms. Edmondson for the LMSW Provisional License. Seconded by Dr. Wallace. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 8. Personal Appearance by Marcellus Thurman requesting approval of his application for Licensed Master’s Social Worker (LMSW) – Provisional Status.**

After discussion among board members and with Mr. Thurman, Dr. Harder made the motion to approve Mr. Thurman for the LMSW Provisional License. Seconded by Mr. Grothe. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

Board Vice-Chair called for a break at 11:27am, with the meeting to resume at 11:35am.

Meeting resumed at 11:35am.

**Agenda Item 9 (A). Discussion and possible action on the following citizen complaints filed against social workers:**

**(A)(i). Discussion and possible action: Complaint 2022-12:**

\*Complaint 2022-12, Individual proceeding - Citizen Complaint against Shelley Jones, LMSW - Review and action on approval or disapproval of a consent decree including possible executive session pursuant to Article II of the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act, 75 O.S. § 309, and the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. § 307(B)(8); After discussion among board members, Dr. Harder made the motion to approve the Consent Decree for complaint 2022-12. Seconded by Mr. Grothe. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**Agenda Item 9 (B). Mr. Kramer presented the Complaint Log to the Board. No Action.**

**Agenda Item 10. Discussion: OSBLSW update regarding Thentia project and automation upgrades to the agency website (possible demonstration to the Board of Directors).**

Marks advised the Board meeting that the online application system and new renewal system will go into production November 2022.

**Agenda Item 11. Discussion and Possible Action: Applications for Licensure – Applications reviewed by Board Member Dickson:**

Ms. Dickson made the motion to approve applications numbers 11.1 – 11.12, noted under Agenda Item Number 11. Seconded by Mr. Grothe. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 12. Discussion and Possible Action: Applications for Licensure – Applications reviewed by Board Member Grothe:**

Mr. Grothe made the motion to approve applications numbers 12.1 – 12.11, noted under Agenda Item Number 12. Seconded by Ms. Dickson. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Chair responsibilities transferred to Secretary Dickson**

**Agenda Item 13. Discussion and Possible Action: Applications for Licensure – Applications reviewed by Board Member Blaylock:**

On behalf of Ms. Blaylock, Dr. Wallace made the motion to approve applications numbers 13.1 – 13.11, noted under Agenda Item Number 13. Seconded by Dr. Harder. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 15. Discussion and Possible Action: Applications for Licensure – Applications reviewed by Board Member Doke:**

On behalf of Board Member Doke, Dr. Wallace made the motion to approve applications numbers 15.1 – 15.11, noted under Agenda Item Number 15. Seconded by Mr. Grothe. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 16. Discussion and Possible Action: Applications for Licensure – Applications reviewed by Board Member Wallace:**

Dr. Wallace made the motion to approve applications numbers 16.1 – 16.11, noted under Agenda Item Number 16. Seconded by Ms. Dickson. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 17. Discussion and Possible Action: Applications for Licensure – Applications reviewed by Board Member Coon:**

On Behalf of Ms. Coon, Dr. Wallace made the motion to approve applications numbers 17.1 – 17.12, noted under Agenda Item Number 17. Seconded by Dr. Harder. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**Chair responsibilities returned to Vice-Chair Wallace.**

**Agenda Item 14. Discussion and Possible Action: Applications for Licensure – Applications reviewed by Board Member Harder:**

Dr. Harder made the motion to approve applications numbers 14.1 – 14.12, noted under Agenda Item Number 14. Seconded by Ms. Dickson. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 15. Report from Executive Committee regarding request from NASW Oklahoma and DaySpring Community Services Staff to eliminate exam requirements for the LSWA and LMSW license.**

Committee took no action this time. Director Marks was instructed to reach out to NASW-OK to inquire about data noted in the NASW report presented at the September meeting.

**Agenda Item 19. Mr. Marks presented the Executive Director’s report. The report included the following:**

- a. ASWB Delegate Assembly Meeting – November 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- b. Cabinet Secretary Meeting – Bill filing deadline 12/09/22
- c. Confirmed 2023 Board Meeting Dates
  - i. Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>
  - ii. Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>
  - iii. Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>
  - iv. Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup>
  - v. Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>
  - vi. Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Agenda Item 20. New Business**

None

**Agenda Item 22. Adjournment was noted with a typographical error in the numbering system of the agenda. Agenda item 22 should have been numbered 21.**